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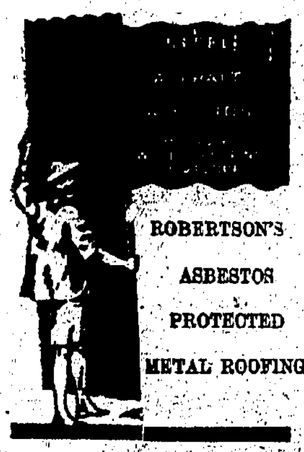

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SEAMEN'S STRIKE.

NOW FIZZLING OUT AT HULL.

MORE SHIPS GET AWAY.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Sept. 2.

In spite of the activity of pickets at Hull to-day the unofficial strike of seamen seems to be fizzling out. The "Meville" sailed with a full crew, and the Wilson liner "Albanin" secured a crew for the Mediterranean voyage.

There is more extensive picketing at Liverpool where the ex-Minister Shinwell is the organiser for the Marine Workers Union, but no ships have been held up.

The Megantic for Quebec and the "Cedric" and "Carmania" for New York are signing on hands slowly.

Shipping officials state that men are pouring in from other ports for the purpose of signing on.

TIMELY OFFER.

Pretoria, Sept. 2.

The Labour Minister, Mr. Creswell's offer to preside at a round table conference of shipowners and seamen has been accepted by the former.

Meanwhile all the pending prosecutions of seamen have been suspended.

CHANNEL SERVICES.

Southampton, Sept. 2.

The crews of the Southern Railway Company's cross-Channel steamers from Southampton have given notice of withdrawal.

It is noteworthy that four vessels were due to cross this evening.

London, Sept. 2.

The Southern Railway has warned intending cross-Channel passengers against travelling to Southampton as there is no possibility of any boats sailing to-night owing to the strike.

INQUIRY FOR LASCARS.

Bombay, Sept. 2.

According to the "Evening News," the Shipping Office has received inquiries whether Indian crews of Lascars can be supplied to South Africa, but up to the present definite orders have not been received and no Lascars have yet been despatched to South Africa.

"FATAL ERROR."

Capetown, Sept. 2.

The feeling is unanimous throughout South Africa that the importation of Lascar crews will be a fatal error calculated to alienate the sympathy both of the Government and of the public.

The critical question at present is whether the strike is to spread to the two maize ships, also to the steamer "Roman Star" due to leave with a record shipment of citrus fruit.

MAILS FOR HOME.

Capetown, Sept. 2.

As the regular mail steamer has been held up, mails for England are being despatched to-morrow by the steamer "Umyoti" manned by a Lascar crew.

Durban, Sept. 2.

The Arab firemen of the steamer "Rhymney" have decided to strike in sympathy with the men of other vessels.

NOT TO LAND.

Capstown, Sept. 2.

The Government has received numerous telegrams from all over the country protesting against the employment of Lascars as strike-breakers.

The Premier replying made a statement intimating that the Government will not allow such a step and pointing out that Lascars as prohibited immigrants will not be allowed to land at South African ports even for the purpose of transhipping to other ports.

NEW ZEALAND POSITION.

Wellington, Sept. 2.

Nine overseas steamers are laid up in New Zealand waters.

The shipowners have intimated that if the men return to the ships by Saturday no punishments will be enforced. The owners emphatically declare that they will not depart from the National Maritime Board's rates.

BURMA STRIKE.

Rangoon, Sept. 2.

Over 3,000 Chittagonian Lascars employed by the Irrawaddy Flotilla Company struck owing to a wage dispute.

The company's vessels have been held up, but it is expected some will sail to-day with new crews.

AUSTRALIAN SET BACK.

Melbourne, Sept. 2.

Mass meetings of the striking seamen here and at Sydney rejected shipowners' offer to waive the legal claims against the men if they returned to work within 48 hours and passed resolutions in favour of continuance of the strike, leaving the settlement in the hands of the Sydney Seamen's Union.

The Waterside Workers' Federation has instructed members to continue working.

It is understood that the Britishers do not desire to involve the other unions.

Sydney, Sept. 2.

In addition to resisting the reduction in wages the British seamen are demanding a guarantee of pay for lost time.

(Earlier Cable.)

London, Sept. 2.

The White Star Liner Majestic sailed from Southampton on scheduled time. Two hundred hands, mostly ex-servicemen were taken aboard in a launch from Portsmouth where they were recruited during the night. A strong detachment of police were detailed in Southampton but there was no disorder.—Reuter.

Durban, Sept. 2.

Twelve ships are now held up in Port Natal. The crews of the Sandgate Castle and Balmoral Castle, when ordered to take their ships to sea, refused. Six sailors will be charged at the police court with alleged refusal to obey orders.

The majority of the strikers resent the repeated importation of Lascars from India as a bluff, contending that the owners would not be able in such a manner to [illegible]

FIVE MEN.

SEAPLANE IN TROPICAL STORM.

"WE SHALL CRACK UP."

(Reuter's American Service.)

San Francisco, Sept. 2.

Five men in a disabled seaplane in a rough sea drenched by a tropical storm is the picture evoked by reports of the warships searching in mid-Pacific for seaplane P59, No. 1, one of the two that started to fly to Hawaii. She wirelessed that she would probably be forced to descend at 1.45 p.m. yesterday, 150 knots from the island of Maui, owing to adverse winds and lack of fuel.

"We shall crack up if we come down in this weather," was almost the last message received from the plane. The commander is John Rogers.

COAL CRISIS.

COOLIDGE AND DECISIVE ACTION.

CONSOLIDATING RAILWAYS.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Swampcott, Massachusett, Sept. 2.

As a result of a conference between President Coolidge and Senator Watson, of India it is understood that the Administration will [illegible] to amend Eschummin's Railway Law at the coming session of congress so as to force railway consolidation after a period of six years.

It was agreed that approval of the van Sweringen proposal now before the Inter-State Commerce Commission would do much to clear the way for numerous voluntary consolidations.

Senator Watson, interviewed after the conference, stated that if the coal crisis became acute the Government would take decisive action.

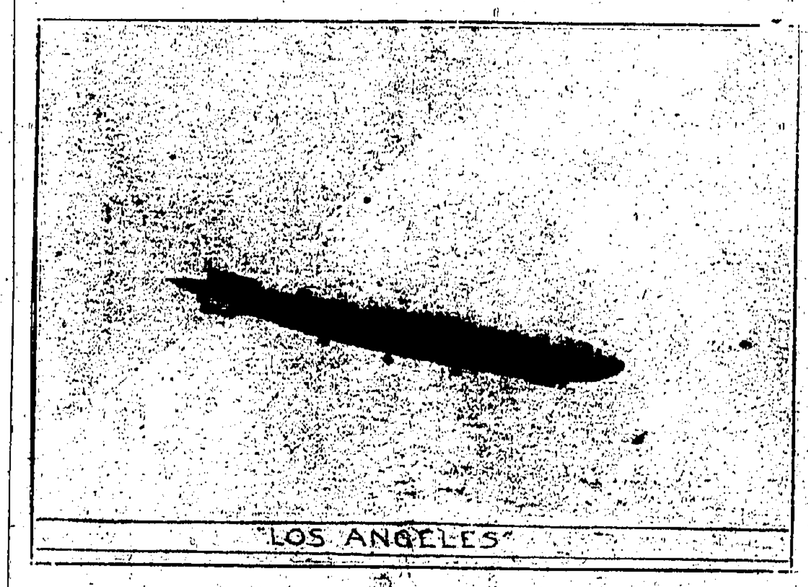
OBITUARY.

SEVENTH SON OF MR. HO FOOK.

It is with regret that the "China Mail" records the death at noon to-day of Mr. Ho Cheuk, assistant compradore to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, the seventh son of Mr. and Mrs. Ho Fook, and nephew of Sir Robert Ho Tung.

Mr. Ho Cheuk was taken ill with malignant malarial fever about a week ago and passed away at the early age of 34. Sympathy will go out to his wife and children in their bereavement.

Of a retiring and kindly disposition, Mr. Ho Cheuk was always considered a genial personality by his colleagues who were impressed by his knowledge of banking. Mr. Ho Wing (Hongkong Bank), Mr. Ho Kwong (Messrs. E. D. Sassoon & Co.), Mr. Ho Iu (Mercantile Bank) and Mr. Ho Leung (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd.) are brothers to the deceased.



For the first time in the history of aeronautics, a smoke screen was formed to conceal a dirigible. The test was made on the monster aircraft Los Angeles near Washington. This picture shows a Martin bomber just rounding the nose of the dirigible leaving its tail of smoke.

WOMAN CONSUL.

THE FIRST IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

APPOINTED TO AMSTERDAM.

(Reuter's American Service.)

Washington, Sept. 2.

Miss Pattie Field, a graduate of the State Department's Foreign Service School, has been appointed United States Consul at Amsterdam, Holland, the first woman consul in American history.

POWER OF THE PRESS

EMPIRE CONFERENCE AT SYDNEY.

"GETTING TOGETHER."

(Reuter's Service.)

Sydney, Sept. 2.

Mr. Stokes, the Lord Mayor, civically welcoming the Empire press conferees, hoped they would acquire a better understanding and a keener appreciation of Australia's aims and problems as a result of their visit.

Lord Burnham, President of the Empire Press Union, and Percival Phillips, special correspondent of the "Daily Mail," replied on behalf of the United Kingdom delegation.

The former said they had come desirous of uniting and co-ordinating newspaper energies and capacities for the common good.

Sir Percival Phillips emphasised that the necessity was even greater than before the war for a fuller appreciation of each other's difficulties and needs and an unwavering spirit of loyalty and comradeship.

Mr. Stokes, replying to the toast of his health, said he belonged to the Labour Party. He emphasised the fact that New South Wales did not want immigrants till the present land system had been adjusted.

The delegation in the afternoon attended an at home at Government House. They dined in the evening as guests of the Sydney members of the Press Union.

"A FARCE."

Sydney, Sept. 4.

Speaking at the Sydney Press Union's dinner to the conferees, Sir Hugh Denison, referring to the Lord Mayor's immigration remarks that afternoon, said there were great stretches of unoccupied territory in Australia and for anyone to say that until the land was all occupied there was no room for immigrants was a farce. He agreed to [illegible]

THE WEATHER.

GOOD PROSPECTS FOR WEEK-END?

For the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow, the weather forecast for Hongkong reads:—East winds, moderate; fine generally.

The Royal Observatory states that the China Sea depression has filled up. Another typhoon, away out in the Pacific, has been reported. Its position at noon was within 120 miles of Lat. 22 N., Long. 130 E. It was moving North-West, towards the Loochoos, the group of islands to the south of Japan. There is very little possibility of Hongkong being directly affected as it is so far away and on a course for North China.

LEAGUE COUNCIL.

THIRTY-FIFTH SESSION OPENS.

REPORT ON SLAVERY.

(Reuter's Service.)

Geneva, Sept. 2.

The 35th. session of the League of Nations Council assembled privately and drew up the agenda. Subsequently a short public sitting was held and it was decided inter alia to submit to the forthcoming assembly the report of the temporary slavery committee raised by the New Zealand delegation at the third assembly. It is stated that the Mosul debate will be held to-morrow.

ONE STRIKE OVER.

(Reuter's Service.)

Brisbane, Sept. 2.

The railway strike has been settled.

Brisbane, Sept. 3.

The railway settlement provides that the railwaymen have the right to hold "stop work" meet-

"HONAM" LEAVES.

300 PASSENGERS AND 15 TONS OF CARGO.

TO ANCHOR OFF SHAMEEN.

Crowds of Chinese this morning gathered on spots along the Praya adjacent to the Steamboat Company's Canton wharf long before the hour for departure of the s.s. Honam on its trip to Canton. They were still there, gazing incredulously, when, prompt to the minute and after the last bells had rung, the paddles revolved and the steamer left the wharf. This was at 8 a.m.

Total passengers aboard numbered a little over 300, of whom 15 were Europeans. General cargo, consisting chiefly of foodstuffs, amounted to about 15 tons.

The ship is to anchor among the men-of-war off Shameen and will not discharge at the Canton wharf which, of course, is in Chinese territory and where there might be trouble with pickets. Passengers who wish to board or leave must make their own arrangements and Shameen is also to make its own arrangements for taking off the cargo if no coolies are available.

The Honam leaves Canton at 8 a.m. to-morrow morning, arriving back at Hongkong at 3 p.m. It is probable that she will then run regularly, the "China Mail" understands.

PIOUS HOPES.

WHEN WILL TRADE START AGAIN?

BUSINESS MEN'S VIEWS.

Chinese business men are evincing great interest in the trip of the s.s. "Honam" to Canton. They think it a happy inspiration to have despatched the vessel and wondered why the matter was not broached before.

Several seen to-day by a "China Mail" reporter, the majority with extensive Canton business interests, predicted that to-day would mark a definite step forward to bring conditions to normal.

"General Cheung Kai-shek is not a native of Kwongtung. He is not a politician but only a militarist and it will be advantageous to him to see trade restored. His word will be law. To-day he may be too busy to attend to strikers and labour unions and the "Honam" may be ignored. But if the stand he has taken is any criterion he will soon reduce the power of the guilds. Meanwhile everybody is so impoverished that the strike pickets will be glad to 'squeeze' cargo and passengers. For a time this will continue till the Hongkong workers have had sufficient opportunity to return. Then there will be no more power behind the so-called labour politicians and that is the end."

Another was not so optimistic. He thought that intercourse would be winked at but only under substantial payment of bribes so that trade with Hongkong would be under a serious handicap.

SOVIET 'PLANES.

ONE DETAINED IN JAPAN.

(Reuter's Service.)

Tokyo, Sept. 2.

One of the two Russian 'planes has arrived from Peking. The other landed at Shimonoseki (fortified area) and has been detained pending investigations.

DOCKS CLOSE.

(Reuter's Service.)

London, Sept. 2.

The Admiralty announces that in pursuance of the Government's policy of naval economy, the dockyards at Rosyth and Pembroke are being closed down at the end of the financial year. The building plant will be maintained enabling re-opening in case of need.

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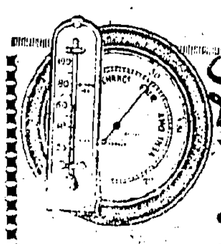

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COMMERCE AND FINANCE.

TRADE AGREEMENTS.

Japanese Merchant's Success.

Baron Kihachiro Okura, Japan's 88-year-old business magnate, is back from his recent three months' inspection of his various holdings in Manchuria and Mongolia well pleased with the reception accorded him in China and with important trade agreements he effected with Chinese Government.

Baron Okura penetrated into Mongolia as far as the Gobi desert, escorted by a strong contingent of Chinese soldiers sent by General Chang Tso-lin. He met no interruptions or threats from bandits, but he believes this was due only to the fact that he was amply protected by the Chinese troops.

Chief among the trade agreements he secured was one that will permit the exportation of 2,500,000 bushels of rice to Japan, in single shipments, upon the request of the Okura Gumi in times of national emergencies. The new agreement exempts the Okura firm from the present law which prohibits exportation of rice from China.

Rice Paddies under Cultivation.

During his trip Baron Okura conferred with Nawango the "Mongolian King," and arrived at another understanding regarding the activities of the baron in Mongolia. He now has 10,000 acres under cultivation for rice paddies there. The full details of this latter agreement are not yet ready for public announcemnt, according to Mr. Yūji Akimoto, private secretary of Baron Okura, who accompanied him on the trip. It is said however that this understanding allows Baron Okura the right to develop great tracts in Mongolia for both rice paddies and pasture lands.

Baron Okura has been interested in the cultivation of rice fields in Mongolia for some time with a view of finding some solution for Japan's food problem which has been growing increasingly acute. His present enterprise was launched in 1921, somewhat in the nature of an experiment, and he believes it will prove highly successful.

It has produced "nitomae" or second rate rice, which has been improving each year. The prospect of further developments largely prompted Baron Okura's trip to Mongolia to arrange for the extension of his fields.

Small Army of Experts.

He has a small army of experts employed there in the experiment of raising live stock in Mongolia. At present he has 1,000 sheep there and now he has decided not only to raise more sheep but to add hogs and cattle.

Workers on the rice paddies, according to Mr. Akimoto, are mostly Koreans and Chinese. "At first," he says, "the Koreans were ugly and discontended. At one time they killed a policeman staying at the experimental station as a guard. In time, however, they began to appreciate the opportunities Baron Okura was holding out for them to improve their living conditions.

"Now there are between 1,300 and 3,000 Koreans working in the rice paddies. When they show inclination to settle down and become farmers Baron Okura will teach them livestock raising and farming and otherwise look out for them.

Visits Leading Cities.

"Baron Okura is thoroughly satisfied with the development of his enterprise in China so far and he expects to devote the rest of his life to them."

Baron Okura also visited the leading cities of China and met and conferred with many important government officials. With them he discussed Japanese-American co-operation in China and found that the thinking leaders of China are welcoming it, according to his spokesman, Mr. Akimoto.

Pu Yi, former Emperor of China, invited the Baron to his residence in Tientsin, where he is living in poor circumstances in a rented house. He has only a few servants left with him. Baron Okura proffered him all possible aid if he should ever leave China, including one of his villas if he came to Japan to live.

LIPTON'S FUTURE.

Depression in industrial centres where the company has most of its branch shops was responsible for the drop in Lipton's profits. For a recovery in the trading position it is a matter of waiting until industry revives and the masses have more money to spend.

The prosperity of multiple shop companies depends largely upon quick turnover, for the margin of profit is very small.

Lipton, at the meeting the other day, impressed shareholders with his confidence in the Company's future. He is the largest shareholder, and has never sold a single share, but has bought additional [illegible] the market [illegible]

PIECE GOODS.

The China Market.

Bradford, July 1.

The cancellation of orders consequent upon the trouble which has arisen in China directs attention to the importance of that country as an outlet for piece goods. In the ordinary way China is a valuable market for both Yorkshire and Lancashire made fabrics. Even Bradford houses ship no small quantities of the cotton goods along with their woollens. Throughout the world there is always more or less call for cotton linings, and it is probably not generally realised what an extensive trade is done in Lancashire-woven cotton linings, dyed and finished in Bradford.

Though China is a great market for West Riding goods, there is every probability that it will become still more important, for there is reason for saying that a good deal of the trade that Bradford houses have done with Japan has really been to supply China, this being in addition to the direct trade. The importance of the Chinese trade is strikingly shown in the following comparison of exports of woollen and worsted cloth:—

	Woollen cloth. sq. yards.	Worsted cloth. sq. yards.	Total exports. sq. yards.
1922 ...	8,714,500	4,250,400	10,964,900
1923 ...	14,434,800	5,117,100	19,551,900
1924 ...	22,848,300	6,126,400	23,974,700

The figures indicate that an increasing trade has been done with China, though it should be added that during the first five months of the current year the quantity of woollen and worsted goods sent to that country was 5,337,800 square yards, compared with 8,294,700 square yards in the corresponding period of 1924. The figures for the current year show that in the period in question there has been a decrease in exports, but even when allowance has been made for this, China has been by no means an unimportant customer, occupying the sixth position in the list of countries taking woollen goods and the fifth in the list for worsteds. The total number of countries tabulated in the Board of Trade returns as receiving these goods is nearly thirty.

Every year a summer and winter trade is done by the West Riding with China, and though each season as it comes round is marked by some special feature, the trade in winter goods largely consists of woollen cloths. Particularly severe winters are experienced in Northern China, consequently some thick, heavy woollen cloths are sold to that part of the country. The Colne Valley (Huddersfield) and the heavy woollen districts of Batley and Dewsbury produce most of the heavy woollens shipped, and in these places some remarkably good blanket cloths are made in all colours and designs for shipment to both China and Japan. It would be an eye-opener to many to see what is being made at 4s. to 4s. 6d. per yard, 55 inches wide. These are really good cloths, made in the latest shades of grey, heather mixtures, and solid colours, and appeal to a large clientele. The shipment of these winter cloths is not confined to the Far East, for big weights are also exported to Canada, though the tariff excludes them from the United States. The home market also provides an important outlet, wearers of these cloths being seen almost everywhere, even in the districts where they are made.

The requirements for the spring and summer trade are quite different from the winter fashions, and it is in the two former that Bradford scores. Very big weights of botany venetians have been exported, these being a favourite cloth. Dyed in all shades as well as mixtures, these venetians cover a wide field and have hitherto appealed very strongly to the Chinese. Orleans is a plain-weave, light-weight cloth of a mixture character, and this, too, has been exported very extensively to China.

Other piece-dyed cloths, both in plain colours and fancies up to 11oz. weight, are among the leading lines exported, these all being worsted cloths well suited to the summer climate of the Far East. Other cloths are also sold more or less, and, with a population of 400,000,000, China will become a still bigger market for British goods as Western ideas spread.

CANADA'S FISH TRADE.

English Markets Increase Home Consumption.

Halifax, N. S., July 18.

The important announcement was made here last week that large English markets are now available for Nova Scotian fresh fish, such markets adequately replacing those which this country lost in New England through the application of the Fordney Tariff. The occasion for the announcement was the annual convention of the Canadian Fisheries Association, an organization of both the salt water and fresh water fisheries of Canada.

Evidence of potential growth in the fishing industry of the Province was found in the size of the catch for the first six months' period of this year, as given out by the Chief Fishery Inspector. He said the catch was greater in value by $1,000,000 than for the same period of last year, and in quantity 14,000,000 pounds greater. The figure given as the value of the catch is $4,250,000, its quantity amounting to 103,000,000 pounds.

Recovery From Depression.

When the Fordney tariff of the United States first went into force, it had the effect of depressing the Nova Scotian fish trade, and in some of the large centres as well as the smaller, the tendency of men engaged in the industry was to throw up their hands and quit. In the larger centres, such as Halifax, or where large fish corporations were operating with branch houses, there was a tendency toward greater production, more intensive effort to get into the upper Canadian market, and even to produce more cheaply and economically a better quality of "manufactured" fish, and sell in the New England and New York market despite the American tariff.

Efforts to widen the markets in Canada for Nova Scotian fresh fish have met with encouraging success.

Several experiments of shipping Nova Scotian fresh fish to England also have been carried on. Fish caught off Halifax, sent from this city to St. John owing to the fact that there was not an early sailing of any ship from Halifax, and from the New Brunswick city sent by an ordinary passenger liner to England, was delivered in the Liverpool and London markets 14 days after being caught. The shipment was in excellent condition. A representative of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa, visited every fish merchant handling the Nova Scotian shipment in both English cities and received the utmost proof of the quality of the fish, proving beyond contention that the matter of shipping fresh fish from this country to England is a practical commercial possibility, even by ordinary passenger steamer, without any special provision of fast fish carriers.

Government Co-operation Sought.

The representative of the Department of Marine and Fisheries at Ottawa who laid before the convention the opportunity which the English markets offered said that these markets, if developed, would expand the industry sufficiently to build up numbers of additional small towns along the south shore of Nova Scotia. The department, he said, was desirous to maintain the industrial life of these small towns and fishing villages, supplying enterprise and labour for the native-born fishermen, rather than to encourage a large-scale concentrated trawling monopoly.

The Fisheries Association convention passed a resolution calling upon the federal Government to establish a special department under a separate minister of the Crown to administer the fisheries separate from other marine matters. The feeling was expressed that the Government, instead of spending millions to equip the port of Halifax for transhipment of grain from the western provinces — perhaps against the natural geographical routes which other Atlantic ports would provide more economically—might with greater advantage to the province apply the same funds to developing the fishing resources in every phase possible. In other words, fish should be made as basic an economic factor in the eastern provinces as wheat is in the western provinces of Canada.

Peking, September 2. The Belgian Legation has been informed that its Government has accepted the invitation to the Chinese Tariff Conference. The Legation states that everything is ready for settlement of the Belgian gold franc case. Instructions are awaited from the Home

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AUTHORISED CAPITAL $50,000,000
ISSUED AND FULLY PAID UP $20,000,000
RESERVE FUNDS:—
STERLING ..... £ 4,500,000
SILVER $26,500,000
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS $20,000,000

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Hongkong, May 20, 1925.

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For the HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
A. H. BARLOW,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong 7th January, 1925.

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA & CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853.

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FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.

CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter period at rates which will be quoted on application.

A. H. FERGUSON,
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Hongkong, April 15, 1925.

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Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.

C. ARIMA,
Manager.

Hongkong, 20th August, 1925.

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HEAD OFFICE: HONGKONG.

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Paid-up Capital 5,000,000
Reserve Fund 1,000,000

DIRECTORS:
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Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 16th February, 1925.

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Special Reserves...G. 23,660,000 £ 1,888,330

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Hongkong, November 4, 1924.

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Capital (Paid-up) ..... Yen 52,500,000
Reserve Fund ..... Yen 12,980,000

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Z. YAMAMOTO,
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Hongkong, 5th June, 1924.

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Hongkong, July 17, 1925.

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Island.	Feet.
Victoria Peak	1823
Signal Station	1774
Mt. Parker	1734
Mountain Lodge	1725
The Eyrie	1725
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Taimoshan	3124
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INTIMATIONS.

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an interim dividend of $8.00 per share has been declared for the HALF YEAR ending 30th June, 1925.

The Dividend will be payable on and after MONDAY, the 14th September, 1925, at the offices of the Company, where Shareholders are requested to apply for Warrants.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from MONDAY, the 7th September, 1925, to SATURDAY, the 12th September, 1925 (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
KAN TONG PO,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 25th July, 1925.

THE HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF CRUELTY TO ANIMALS.

THE DOGS' HOME, Waterloo Road, Kowloon, will be RE-OPENED as from 2nd inst.
Telephone, 1152 K.

B. L. FROST,
President & Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1925.

NOTICE.

ALL claims against the estate of HOLGER FERDINAND CHRISTENSEN (Deceased), must be presented at the Royal Danish Consulate, 67-69, Des Vœux Road Central, not later than September 14th, 1925.

NOTICE.

Subscribers of the China Mail not receiving their paper every evening owing to the uncertain delivery as the result of the strike are invited to notify this office if they would prefer to purchase their paper from the street newsboys direct and have the amount credited to their account.

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INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE.

GEO. GRIMBLE & CO.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the partnership heretofore subsisting between George Grimble, Ugo Cesare Galluzzi, and Eric Grimble, carrying on business as Ship and General Brokers at Prince's Buildings, Victoria in the Colony of Hongkong under the style or firm of Messrs. Geo. Grimble & Co., has been dissolved as from the 31st day of August, 1925, so far as concerns the said Ugo Cesare Galluzzi who retires from the said firm.

Dated the 31st day of August, 1925.

GEORGE GRIMBLE.
UGO CESARE GALLUZZI.
ERIC GRIMBLE.

HONGKONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

The Fifth Yearly Drawing of Debentures (1920 issue—$500 each) of the Hongkong Club, Payable on WEDNESDAY, the 30th September, 1925, will be held in the Club House, at 11 o'clock, a.m., on TUESDAY, the 8th September, 1925.

Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON,
Lieut.-Col.,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th August, 1925.

NOTICE.

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Deliveries of Bread can now be made in the following districts daily:—

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A ROYAL STUART?

A CASE IN THE PROBATE COURT.

WATERLOO SOLDIER'S GRANDSON.

An application was made in the Probate Court, London, before the President, Lord Merrivale, for a grant of administration of the estate of Marie Stuart, late of Belgravia, London, who died in France on August, 1873, domiciled in England, and a spinster. Marie Stuart was a descendant of the Stuart Kings. The motion was in favour of Mr. Maurice Barry O'Brien, of Westminster, London, attorney, to Col. Alfred Charles M. W. Von Platt, now an officer in the Czecho-Slovakian Army.

CALLED "PRINCE CHARLIE."

Colonel Platt is the grandson of Charles Edward Stuart, Count d'Albanie, who fought with the French at Waterloo, and the great Emperor Napoleon invested him on

FLORENCE VIDOR *INTL.*

That Florence Vidor, moving picture actress, and her director-husband have been separated two years became known when divorce papers were prepared in Los Angeles. She charges King Vidor with deserting her.

the field of battle with the Legion of Honour for his brilliant gallantry, "worthy of the courageous and chivalric race from which he sprang." He was known among his friends as Prince Charlie.

The Hon. Victor Russell, who made the application to the Court, said that Col. Von Platt is the grandson of Charles Edward Stuart, whose son married an Austrian lady, and he is her sole surviving heir.

The President—May I take it that nothing depends on the line of succession of the Royal House of Stuart?—Counsel—No.

The President—We may disregard the historical associations?—Counsel—Yes.

Mr. Russell went on to say that the only available property to which the estate of Marie Stuart was entitled was a fund derived from certain cash and securities in Consols, which fund had been lodged in Court, and to which Col. Platt was entitled to one-fourth. The amount, said counsel, was about £535.

COPY OF A WILL.

It was thought at one time, counsel went on, that Marie Stuart died intestate, but a copy of a will dated 1873 had come to light in a bundle of old letters, although the original had not been found.

Mr. Russell said that Marie Stuart died intestate in regard to the fund in Court, which she was entitled to under the will of her late aunt, Elizabeth Beresford. Col. Von Platt is now a subject of the Republic of Czecho-Slovakia.

His Lordship made an order appointing Mr. Maurice Barry O'Brien as his attorney.

Baghdad, September 2. — In view of the coming discussions at Geneva of the Mosul Commission Report, interest attaches to a resolution overwhelmingly adopted by the Iraq Parliament, expressing friendship to Britain and desiring continuance of the Anglo-Iraq alliance at the expiry of the present four years' treaty.—Reuter.

Pat Mulligan went to pay his rent, and as times were hard he appealed to his landlord to let him down "aisy" until better days came round. He had just a five-pound note—half the rent—and divil another penny did he possess in the wide world. The landlord was agreeable to take it, in the circumstances, in full of the year's rent, whereupon Pat handed him the note with many expressions of thankfulness and goodwill. The other opened the note, and at once a smile played about his mouth. Looking at his tenant, he quietly remarked: "I am glad you are not so badly off, after all, Pat—this is a fifty note you gave me!" "Bad luck to me," the other exclaimed. "sure I must have given you the wrong one."

RELICS OF THE '45.

PRINCE CHARLIE.

PRINCE CHARLIE EXHIBITION.

The Mackintosh of Mackintosh, Lord-Lieutenant of Inverness-shire, opened at Fort-William an exhibition of relics of Prince Charlie and the '45 campaign.

After The Mackintosh had been welcomed by Provost Stewart, Lochiel, in a reminiscent speech, recapitulated some of the chief features of the memorable rising. Lochaber, as they knew, was the cradle, the heart, and the grave of the '45. It was at Lochnanuagh that Prince Charlie had landed. It was at Glenfinnan that he first raised his standard, and it was from Lochaber that he recruited his original army. It was to Lochaber that the Prince returned after the disaster at Culloden, and it was from Lochnanuagh that he again finally departed to France, after those perilous and romantic wanderings throughout the Western Highlands and Islands. Every nook in Lochaber spoke to them of those stirring days. At his (Lochiel's) own home at Achnacarry, the beeches which an ancestor of his had dug in, as he thought, temporarily, when he left to join the Prince could be seen from his dining-room, whilst Loch Arkaig and Glen Pean could boast of many memories of the Young Chevalier. They all knew the Prince's association with the House of Moy, and it was eminently fitting that The Mackintosh should open their exhibition.

Speaking from the steps of the Museum building, which is situated in Cameron Square, and where a large assemblage had gathered, The Mackintosh said he wished to support the efforts being made to bring back to them reminiscences of the '15 and the '45. In those far-off days they were called rebels, and in a sense they were still rebels at heart, but on an occasion like the present he thought they might fairly let themselves go.

After touching on incidents in the two rebellions, The Mackintosh contrasted the conditions which must have existed when Prince Charlie marched with his army to Derby and those now in vogue. Paying a tribute to the scenic beauties of Lochaber, which, he said, had the highest hills and the deepest lochs, he referred to what the men and women of the district had done for their country.

Concluding with a reference to certain accoutrements recovered from Mulroy, where was fought the last clan battle between the Mackintoshes and the Macdonalds of Keppoch, the Lord-Lieutenant formally declared the exhibition open, and expressed the hope that it would meet with the success which it deserved.

THE MALARIA DEATH RATE.

Statistics prove that Malaria kills more people every year in the hot damp countries of the east than any other disease, an appalling fact when one considers that most of these deaths were preventible.

Not so many years ago Science was still groping in the dark as to the cause of malaria. But now it is positively known that the cause lies in the blood in the form of bacteria, and thousands of sufferers have found Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, the world renowned blood and nerve tonic, a remarkably efficient specific when quinine and every other remedy have failed to give permanent relief.

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QUAINT CURIOS.

SOME EIGHTEENTH CENTURY EXTRACTS.

Let us for a few moments see what quaint items can be gathered from an early issue of the "Morning Post," writes a correspondent of that newspaper.

Here is a coach for sale, "little worse than new." In the same column we find Mr. Hay, opposite Burlington House, in Piccadilly, offering "glass Bee-hives, with a curious Obelisk worked by the bees to be seen, and contrived as such, that a lady may have them at her dressing table without the least danger of being stung."

Complaints of the idleness and inefficiency of servants are very common in Eighteenth Century writings, but a treasure was occasionally to be met with:—

"Wants a Place, where a lad is kept, a clean, diligent man, between 30 and 40 years of age, can dress hair or wigs, brew, understands the management of a family, can bear confinement, wages is no object." Brewing would be by no means regarded as the least important of this man's accomplishments. In the country, beer still held its own against tea as a beverage at all meals, even breakfast.

"The simple contract creditors of the late Bishop of Exeter, are desired to meet his administrators at the Devil Tavern (!) on Friday next, the 22nd instant, at 6 o'clock in the evening on special affairs."

Mr. Joshua Long, No. 73, Cheapside, has for sale a quantity of "real red and white French Vinegar, Chilly ditto, and ditto of the 4 thieves." The name of the last variety reminds one of "The Wine of Forty Girths" of Rabelais.

Lord Chesterfield, who began by being a reader of The Tatler and The Spectator, of Steel and Addison, published in Queen Anne's reign, lived to see the first hundred issues or so of the "Morning Post."

The famous "Letters" apparently met with a better reception in some quarters than they got from Dr. Johnson. For in an issue of the "Morning Post," published some time after his Lordship's deaths, we find the following announcement.

"FOREIGN EDUCATION."

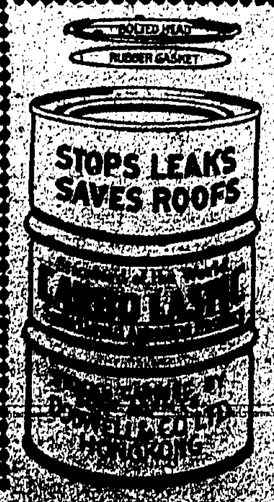
"Lord Chesterfield's Plan of a foreign and domestic Education is now being carried out for six young gentlemen, but so improved as to form the Gentleman and the Scholar without endangering their morals or religious principles. A vacancy now offers, and the success, terms, etc., may be known by applying to Mr. Bird, Jeweller, No. 7, Cornhill."

The "Morning Post" did not like the Public Ledger, an organ which supported Charles James Fox and the so-called "Patriots," who were accused of sowing "seeds of noise and discraindre" against the King's Majesty and his Government, as may be gathered from the following "obituary":—

"On Saturday last [March 18, 1780] died of a political decay, Brewman's Public Ledger, an offspring of a modern Patriotism, a brother to Friction, and nearly related to Rebellion. The infamous principles of this disgrace to Literature are bequeathed by testament to a fellow-labourer in Sedition, the "General Advertiser," and yesterday the will was published by the infamous legatee."

Poulters, the gamekeeper, was faced by a new problem. He understands the habits of birds and the ways of most of the sportsmen with whom he had to deal, but now a Bishop was one of the party of guns. How to address him was the question that troubled him, as he confessed to a friend whose sympathy led him to ask later how he had fared.

"B-badly," was the answer. "The very first thin' a rabbit run right past 'is legs an' I said 'Shoot the d——d thin', your Holiness.' An' I saw at once from 'is face that 'holiness' was the wrong word!!"



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DEATH.

HO.—At his residence, No. 5, MacDonnell Road, Hongkong, at noon to-day, Mr. Ho Cheuk, assistant compradore to the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, the seventh son of Mr. Ho Fook.

Hongkong, Thursday, Sept. 3, 1925.

HATS OFF.

The best is yet to be, sings the poet. The best, so far, is the fact that the "Honam" left Hongkong this morning, and by the time these lines are in print will have completed her short but adventurous voyage to Canton. The "Honam" has set off without any fulsome preliminaries. The gesture—if such we may call it—of sending the boat and taking cargo and passengers — is in accord with commonsense. It suggests a new era. It is a business proposition. No question of any sort, outside that of trade, is involved. Canton may adopt whatsoever line of politics she cares, provided she does so in decency and in order. The politics are her concern, the methods adopted may ultimately be the concern of others. Canton's trade is our concern but it has little to do with the politics and methods of those in charge of the gloves and wallet. Canton has always been a hotbed of politics, but politics have never been cause for hatred and certainly no cause for strife. These are simple statements of fact. No amount of verbiage will make them anything but what they are. A strict observance of them and all the rest of the things worth having, will be added as a matter of course. Some Cantonese will admit all this. They will see in the sending of the "Honam"—and the promise of regular sailings—not an act of bravado or of provocation—but one of peaceful commonsense. It is not designed—we are quite convinced of it—to take any sort of "war into the enemy's camp." Hongkong, on general lines, has no quarrel with Canton. It has provoked none, and desires none, unless vital issues are at stake. The Colony has been somewhat helpless in being in what may be termed a state of sinlessness! Reiteration of the obvious is a dreary business. Having once testified to our spotlessness, it is best left at that. The Seamen's Union may, or may not resent, the sailing of the "Honam." The Union has made the mistake of prostituting labour to a spurious form of politics designed to turn out Robots. It has not helped the cause of genuine labour one whit. It will find that out soon, and it may be that the familiar lines of the "Honam" will help to a state of thought leading to the reign of reason. We certainly hope so. The tentacles of friendship are too far outspread for them to be entirely cut off from their hold. Certainly, they have been strained and weakened, but it has been difficult to think that they would cease to hold, and that the future had nothing in it but hate and ruin. We speak of the "Honam's" sailing in that spirit of optimism we have kept since the days of June ushered in an intolerable situation. If it should prove the key that is to unlock—or help unlock—an unnecessarily locked door—we shall feel justified in saying — "Hats off to the "Honam"!

SHANGHAI PROBLEMS.

The Shanghai British Chamber of Commerce and the Shanghai branch of the China Association have expressed sympathy with the Chinese regarding Chinese representation on the Shanghai Municipal Council and the remedying of irregularities connected with the Mixed Court. It is doubtful if the decisions of these important British bodies will find general favour in the Settlement, however, for if articles in the leading journals and correspondence columns are anything to go by, the attitude throughout the strike and subsequent boycott has been that to negotiate on matters other than the shooting affair of May 30 before the judicial enquiry had been concluded, would be an act of weakness. We have already stated reasons for our approval of the action of the two bodies in question in holding out the olive branch in this manner and we fail to see in what respect it may be said to amount to desertion of Hongkong. The gesture, however, must be interpreted in the spirit in which it was made if bitterness is not to be engendered which will render impossible of creation the necessary spirit of goodwill and co-operation. The action of the Chinese Minister of Justice in Shanghai, for instance, in telegraphing to leading politicians and others in London that the Mixed Court has no legal foundation and that it is due to its existence that the local Chinese Court is prevented from co-operating in a judicial enquiry into the shooting incidents can only be described as foolish and reprehensible since it has no foundation in fact. Although in practice it appears to have given rise to certain irregularities, the Mixed Court has a solid enough legal basis for its existence in the Regulations governing the foundation of the Settlement—these, in fact, providing that the municipal authorities "shall arrest offenders of the public peace, hand them over and prosecute them before respective authorities, Chinese or other as the case may be." An argument often advanced against this practice is that a settlement for foreigners is not the proper place for trying one whose Government is outside that Settlement; but it must be borne in mind that punishmnt, although indicated, is not carried out in the Settlement and that whatever anomalies the working of the Mixed Court gives rise to (divided consular jurisdiction appears to be held chiefly responsible) some laws must be made respecting the conduct of the ever increasing numbers of Chinese who since the Taiping rebellion have found protection within the Settlement borders. Similarly, if there is to be smooth working within, the Chinese committee which already advises on matters relating to the government of the Settlement must be replaced by actual Chinese representation on the Municipal Council. Far from being a disturbing element in the present negotiations the association with requests along these lines by responsible British bodies in Shanghai should be all for the good and should lead to the creation of a more favourable atmosphere for the hearing of other matters of more immediate importance.

CORRESPONDENCE.

"THE SHORTEST."

(To the Editor of the China Mail).

Sir,—The writer of your entertaining column "Shreds and Patches" quotes an epigram of Shelley's on the first miracle wrought at Cana of Galilee. If he will look up his Boswell under the year 1778 he will find that Dr. Johnson quoted the line:

"Vidit et erubuit lympha pudica Deum"

as having been composed in his youth by an Etonian and as having been "highly admired." Shelley's line (if it be genuine Shelley) is so obviously a mere translation of this that it would be interesting to learn more of the circumstances of its composition.

Incidentally Johnson was misquoting in so far as the actual order of the Latin words is concerned, and the transposition of the two halves of the pentameter greatly improves the bouquet.

Yours etc.,
N.

Hongkong, September 2.

[We reproduce below that part of "The Shortest" to which our correspondent's letter refers. The matter is further dealt with under to-day's "Shreds and Patches."—Ed.]

... there is a record—or it should be—held for the shortest poem—and it seems to be held by Shelley. It seems that when Shelley was at Oxford his literary class was [illegible] on the [illegible] of Christ. We [illegible] the water [illegible] at the marriage of Cana [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

NOT A DULL CITY.

"YOU MUSTN'T ALTER LONDON!"

SIR ROBERT HO TUNG'S ADVICE.

The thing that strikes me most forcibly each time I visit London is the amount of traffic, and the hurrying crowds of people intent upon business or pleasure, and the splendid manner in which those crowds and vehicles are regulated by the ever-courteous police stationed at all crossings, making it quite safe to wend one's way where one lists if only one follows the traffic regulations, writes Sir Robert Ho Tung in the "London Evening News."

Year by year I notice changes and improvements in this great city; some old landmarks swept away to be replaced by wider streets and splendid buildings.

If London Men Wore Silk.

Englishmen's clothes are as sombre as some of the grey old buildings which I love to see again and enjoy visiting. Perhaps if your men adopted a Chinese dress of flowered silk it might help to brighten the appearance of streets—but, notwithstanding, I do not find London a dull city. It is in my opinion a serious, a busy one.

Some streets and houses look gloomy, but others are gay and pretty, especially at this time of the year.

You must not change London very much, or else visitors like myself and my wife and daughter, who enjoy coming here so much, would not be pleased!

But to return to our subject, the everlasting, much discussed one of clothes. I think Chinese garments are more picturesque, warmer in winter, cooler in summer, easier to put on, and very comfortable for the wearer. They have one disadvantage, they make more luggage, for so many suits are required for changes of climate.

A Chinese wears satin clothes on all formal occasions, viz.:—a blue robe reaching to the ankles, and a black riding jacket which is quite short.

In the day time, and for tea parties, etc., our robes and riding jackets are made of any bright coloured silk, like English ladies' summer gowns. We rarely wear overcoats, but if the weather is very cold we have a lining of fur or cottonwool padding under our robes.

I do not see why Englishmen should not wear brighter colours such as we use, although in my humble opinion no European costume is more becoming than the frock coat worn with light trousers, and also the light grey frock suit with hat to match. I am sorry it is no longer fashionable to wear a black frock coat; the morning coat which has taken its place is a poor substitute.

Skirts too Long, Then too Short.

English evening dress, with the white bow tie and waistcoat, looks beautiful, but the dinner jacket is in some respects better than the tail coat.

As I am asked to express my humble opinion freely, I think the tails are a little bit clumsy, and the pockets bulge in an ugly fashion if anything is put in them.

Ladies' dresses are so grand and graceful I cannot help admiring them. Sometimes I think the skirts are a little too short, and I wonder if the ladies' calves are not cold!

In China short dresses would be more economical, because we pay for clothes in accordance with the amount of material that is in them. So I asked a friend if short dresses are cheaper, and he told me "No."

Perhaps the ladies like them short?

But I think they put up with them because they are the fashion.

And if the shorter dresses are not cheaper for the ladies who buy them they must be cheaper for the dressmakers. I remember when European dresses reached to the ground: then they were too long and I pitied the poor ladies having to hold them up. It must have been fatiguing.

London streets are very well kept and clean, in spite of the great amount of traffic there. But some of them are not wide enough and many houses might be more artistic; though houses may be beautiful within, they are often ugly outside.

If the people who live in these houses made the outside beautiful would that not conduce to a brighter London?

London is much cleaner than it used to be. Thirty years ago you could not go out without getting your hands and necks dirty. Perhaps London is so much less smoky that brighter coloured paint could now be applied to the houses.

Many streets have trees, and the squares with their green lawns in the centre are very beautiful in spring and summer. But more streets should have trees—evergreen trees so that they would not be bare in the winter.

Finger-Counting After a Handshake.

London people seem happy and healthy and often gay. I like the custom of raising the hat in salutation and the shaking of hands—though sometimes my hand is squeezed so hard that I count my fingers afterwards. In China we bow in salutation with the hands clasped, but in the Treaty Ports Chinese are beginning to shake hands too.

I like English food—it is wholesome and hygienic. But I think you could reasonably dispense with afternoon tea except for social gatherings, because three meals should be ample.

Also, you take your tea exceptionally strong, and that is not good for the nerves. Three or four times I have drunk tea prepared by my English staff and I felt giddy after it.

In China we take tea as a drink, not as a food. We drink it very weak when we feel thirsty. We never drink cold water. Our tea is made without milk or sugar, and is paler than amber.

English people are industrious and the working-class do a lot in their working hours. They like jokes and seldom quarrel one with another. I think they are satisfied with London as it is—and so, on the whole, am I.

In conclusion I must say how much I admire and greatly appreciate the unfailing courtesy shown to me, a visitor, by all classes with whom I have come in contact in this wonderful and great city.

MOTOR MISHAP.

TRUCK CRASHES INTO GARDEN WALL.

WOMAN SLIGHTLY INJURED.

A motor truck owned by a Chinese transporting firm crashed into the side wall of the Botanical Gardens facing Garden Road yesterday morning, both the vehicle and the wall sustaining damage.

A Chinese who was seated beside the driver stated to the Police that the driver changed his gears on ascending the slope past Kennedy Road. The truck then ran backward, uprooted a gas lamp post, and was brought to a sudden halt by striking the wall.

The occupants of the truck escaped injury except for slight bruises sustained by a coolie woman.

FATAL ACCIDENT.

BOY STRUCK BY FALLING BOULDERS.

INSTANTANEOUS DEATH.

A nine-year old Chinese boy was the victim of a fatal accident at a Laichikok quarry yesterday while he was seated at the foot of a bank.

Two large boulders on the sloping bank had apparently been loosened by the recent rains, and these descended on the boy, killing him instantly.

The deceased was the son of a workman at the quarry.

ELUSIVE ROGUE.

ESCAPED PRISONER STILL AT LARGE.

The Chinese prisoner who escaped from the Kowloon Magistracy on Tuesday is reported to be still at large, although a thorough search has been made of the locality and likely hiding places.

The Indian constable through whose negligence the prisoner escaped has, it is understood, been dealt with departmentally.

WALKED THE PLANK?

RED FLAGSHIP'S QUEER ACTION.

THE WINGFUNG'S CAPTAIN.

Reading like an episode of walking the plank from pirate craft a hundred years ago is a report in the "Wah Tsz Yat Po" concerning the flagship of the Canton Government.

Two messages were received yesterday by the vernacular paper stating that the Russian commander had been thrown over the ship's side into "the middle of the sea." Considerable interest has been manifested in the unusual action of the vessel.

The Wing Fung is called a cruiser. One of several of its type, it is supposed to have migrated to Canton from Peking when the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen came south to establish opposition to Yuan Shi-kai's monarchy. Admiral Ching Pik-kwong, whose statue now faces down the Canton River on Dutch Folly Island, took the "First Northern Cruiser Squadron" down with him. All have since gone back with the exception of the Wing Fung. This boat has been re-named the Chung San in honour of Dr. Sun whose other name—best known to the Chinese—was Sun Chung-san.

Recently Russian officers were placed in command of Canton's fleet. As reported at the time resentment was alleged. It is now reported that a mutiny has taken place and that the warship has sailed for Hainan Island which is in the hands of General Tang Pun-yan, a pro-Chan leader.

When sighted the Wing Fung was flying neither the Bolshevik ensign nor her commander's pennant. However, this may have been only a blind as the Wing Fung has previously been on expeditions to the south of the province, on one occasion taking back the s.s. Hok Canton as a prize for alleged smuggling. She may be on one of those errands now or her movements may be in connection with the more recent political developments. Another point—reported in yesterday's "China Mail"—has been the pronounced naval activity in Canton harbour this week, both day and night.

LOST AT SEA.

ITALIAN NAVY SUBMARINE'S FATE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Rome, Sept. 2.

The search for the submarine Veniero continues.

Oil bubbles were observed on surface of the water near Cape Passero where, it is believed, the submarine sank.

Soundings are being taken in a depth of about fifty fathoms.

[The Italian naval submarine Veniero failed to return from the recent naval manœuvres and is now considered lost.]

JAIL FOR REDS.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 2.

A dozen Communists have been sentenced to periods of imprisonment ranging from a fortnight to a month in addition to small fines.

HUNDREDS IDLE.

(Reuter's Service.)

Brisbane, Sept. 2.

The compulsory conference has failed and is being closed down, rendering idle hundreds of workers.

The licencee of a motor-boat was fined $20 at the Marine Court this morning because his vessel was under way without an authorised coxswain. Another was fined $10 for moving without a certificated engineer.

FATE OF A TOWN.

ABDEL KRIM TAKES NO CHANCES.

READY TO RETREAT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Paris, Sept. 2.

According to the "Temps" Fez correspondent, Abdel Krim has carefully prepared his retreat from Adjir in the event of the Spaniards capturing the town. He has established headquarters at Bouroa, the key position at the head of the valley leading to the heart of the Riff mountains. He has already massed reserves to the northward of Bourda, which is connected with Adjir by telephone.

"JAMES"

"James," a chimpanzee brought from Africa, struck an attitude astonishingly like that of Napoleon when placed in captivity far from home.

Manila, September 2.—Lieutenant John S. Thompson, of the Signal Corps, has been sentenced by Court Martial to hang for the murder of Miss Audrey Burleigh, sixteen-year old step daughter of Captain H. P. Calmes, of the Medical Corps, on April 4 last.—Reuter.

Beirut, September 2.—The Representative Council of Liban has voted unanimously on the occasion of the anniversary of Liban's independence, a motion of admiration for the French army and affection for the Mandatory Power.—Havas.

"What I say is perfectly true," said the witness. "The man threw a can over the fence and hit my wife in the face as she was looking over the railings."

"And you persist in saying that your neighbour seized the can and struck her deliberately?" asked the magistrate.

"He did, your honour."

"And did she give him any provocation?"

"She gave no provocation whatever, sir ... All she gave him, was her opinion of him and a whack on the head with a clothes prop."

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(Reuter's Service.)

London, Sept. 2

The list of probable starters in the St. Leger (run on September 9) is as follows:—

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HOME "SOCCER."

RESULTS OF MID-WEEK MATCHES.

TWO HOME TEAMS GET SIX.

(Reuter's Service.)

The following football matches in the English League were played to-day:—

Division I.

Liverpool	2	Notts County	0
Manchester U.	3	Aston Villa	0
Sunderland	6	Blackburn	2
W. B. Albion	1	Everton	1

Division II.

Middlesborough	3	Blackpool	2

Division III (South).

Plymouth A.	6	Crystal Pal.	2
Southend	3	Brentford	1

Division III (North).

Accrington S.	1	Hartlepools	2
Durham City	2	Barrow	1
New Brighton	2	Wrexham	2

GOLF CHAMPIONS.

PERTINENT FACTS ABOUT THE BEST.

Now that the world's two chief golfing events—the British and the United States Open Championships—have been decided, it is just as well, despite the fact that both Championship Cups now reside in America, that golfers should recognise that they have been won by men born in this country and trained on British links. Americans may derive as much satisfaction as they please out of the fact that James Barnes and W. Macfarlane have developed their respective games during the past fifteen years or so on American courses, and that for national purposes they are United States citizens, but they have to admit, however grudgingly, that to England and Scotland is the greater gratification, writes the golf correspondent of "The Observer" in mail week.

In the case of Barnes it is a triumph for Cornwall, and in that of Macfarlane a victory for Aberdeenshire. This is a reversal of last year's results, when both championships were won by pure home-bred Americans — Hagen, the British, and Mr. Bobby Jones, the American. In view of the constant talk about the decadence of British golf, it is not inappropriate that the public should be reminded of the facts. Personally, I am just as delighted at the success of Barnes and Macfarlane as the Americans appear to be, so we can cry quits, at any rate as far as this year is concerned.

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Hongkong, 3rd September, 1925.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

No notifiable disease was reported in the Colony on Tuesday.

The Garrison School Prize distribution and display of sewing and other work will be held at the Command Educational Training Centre, "D" Block, Victoria Barracks, on Friday, September 11.

The Summer Cup competition is now in progress on the Kowloon Golf Club's course at Kowloon City. Several matches have already been played off in the qualifying round, which has to be concluded by September 14.

The first issue of the "Diario de Macau," the Portuguese Colony's new daily newspaper, has been issued. It is of six pages and has an English section. The first issue contains an historical sketch written by a distinguished Portuguese officer. There is an English section.

A report indicating the lines on which she hoped to carry out medical inspection of schools and scholars was presented at yesterday's Board of Education meeting by Mrs. Minnett, Medical Officer. Mr. Forster queried whether three examinations in the course of a child's career as indicated, would be sufficient. He thought the examination should be at least once a year.

Pleasure at the announcement of the Chairman of the Education Board that the Government had sanctioned the extension of the Technical Institute to Kowloon was expressed at yesterday's meeting by Mr. Wylie. Facilities are to be available for classes to be opened at the Central British School in the following subjects: Chemistry, Practicaland Theoretical, Physics, Mathematics, French, Bookkeeping, Shorthand and Cookery. No class will be formed in any subject unless there is a minimum enrolment of 10 students.

Because he could find no money on premises into which he had broken, George Gilchrist, 23, is said to have smashed 3,000 eggs, wasted three stones of sugar, and cut up six hams and fourteen slabs of cake. He was sentenced to three years' imprisonment at Newcastle Sessions.

The trial trip of the newly built river steamer Yungfung took place at Shanghai last week, starting from the yards of the builders, the Huh Hsing Engineering and Shipbuilding Works on the Chinese Bund. The steamer has twin screws and is 194 feet long. She has been specially built for cargo service on the Yangtsze, between Ichang and Chungkiang.

Drastic regulations, whereby it is hoped to improve London's traffic problems, now rapidly becoming intolerable, are announced by the Transportation Ministry. They affect vehicle-parking, advertising in the streets, and lighting safeguards for street obstructions. A list of permitted parking spaces is published with space for 2 to 130 cars with a two-hour parking limit. It is also proposed to have unpaid but police-licensed attendants available for watching the cars and contents. Fancy dresses or costumes for advertising purposes are prohibited, as well as the use of any animal for advertising or the use of any vehicle wholly or mainly for the same. It is expected that these regulations will relegate sandwichmen, long a picturesque feature of London main traffic routes, to side streets, and also end the present attempted method of popularizing American chewing gum through a system of elaborate push-carts extolling the alleged merits of the chewing gum habit. Because of the drastic character of the regulations, three months' grace will be allowed before enforcement begins.

The total rainfall in the Colony during August was 6.94 inches.

Two goats lost their "bleats" and a dog his "bark" at the clinical demonstration conducted by the American Veterinary Medical Association at Portland. Dr. Frederick R. Whipple of Peoria, Ill., described a method by which the same operation may be performed on other animals as easily as tonsils are removed at present from a human being. Humane societies are studying the results, he said, with the idea of saving the lives of many dogs that have made nuisances of themselves by innocent barking.

A troop of Boy Scouts, drawn up in parade formation greeted Col. Theodore Roosevelt in the town of Leh, situated high in the mountain fastnesses of Thibet. Col. Roosevelt said, in a letter received at the national headquarters, Boy Scouts of America, that the boys were fully as well drilled as their American prototypes and equally as courteous. Thibetan Boy Scouts do their daily "good turn," he wrote, by helping herders in the care of animals. The letter was dated June 5.

There has just been started at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden, what is believed to be the world's first gramophone record museum. To start the collection Signors Arnoldo Lindi, Benvenuto Franci and Ernesto Badini deposited records of the songs with which they made their London début this season. In future seasons every new singer at Covent Garden will be invited to contribute a record of his or her London première. Covent Garden already has a fine operatic museum and will now add to this the records of its vocal history. There are, of course, plenty of records of singers like Caruso, Scotti, Melba, to mention only three, which can be placed in this vocal museum.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mrs. Lorne Murphy left the Colony yesterday by the s.s. Tanda for Sydney.

Mr. I. W. Shewan, runner-up in the Colony's golf championship is to leave for the north.

The forthcoming wedding is announced of Mr. Walter Frederick Collasins, of No. 270, The Peak, to Miss Amalie Ratherina Friesewinkel, of No. 180, The Peak.

Mr. E. Hamilton Holmes, British Consul-General at Yokohama, and Mrs. Holmes, have received a cable notifying them of the birth of a son to Lieutenant Lancelot King, R.N., and Mrs. Doreen King, at Plymouth on July 26. Miss Holmes was a former resident of Yokohama and was married about one year ago.

The Duchess of York, in spite of her fairy-like appearance, has a very practical mind. Visiting an Overseas Department recently, an official, who had presented the Duke with a walking-stick of Colonial wood, hesitated, and finally asked if the Duchess would accept a souvenir. Her answer delighted him. "I should like it," she said. "I love all my gifts. When I look at them, I remember the occasion of each, and it saves my keeping a diary!"

The announcement that Sir Herbert Barker has given up practice and gone into exile came as a surprise to most people, says "Truth." To some it may be a pleasant surprise, for it sets free a pretty big number of guineas per annum for somebody else to pick up. To many others it will be a big loss, for no one is at present generally known, even if the man exists, who can do all that he has been doing for his fellow creatures during the last twenty years. In common with many other people, including more than one duly qualified surgeon, I believe that Sir Herbert Barker excelled as he did by virtue of a natural gift—some quality residing in his fingers and hands, like the gift of a great pianist. I suppose the same thing is true, more or less, of every great surgeon, even though his fingers wield the knife. He himself would not admit this. "All that I do," he said to me once, "anybody who understands anatomy can do, if he will only let me show him how to do it." That was the great ambition of his life—not to practise, but to teach manipulative surgery. He almost broke his heart—for he is the most sensitive of men—fighting in vain against the professional prejudice that forbade him to demonstrate in the medical schools; and, for all his success, I believe that in his retired now a disappointed man.

The Prince of Wales refused to accept a diamond of 65 carats which was offered to him as a souvenir when he visited the famous De Beers diamond works. He did accept, however, a stone of 12 carats.

Mr. F. C. Dias Costa has been appointed Acting Colonial Treasurer of Macao and Mr. J. A. dos Remedios takes his place temporarily. The post of Secretary of the Treasury Department is to be held temporarily by Mr. A. Gracias.

Five members of the British Cabinet are graduates of Harrow, and pupils will have an extra day of summer holiday this year for each one of them. The request was made personally by Prime Minister Baldwin, the most eminent of living Harrovians, and when the news was announced at commencement exercises recently the students gave five cheers, unusually resounding ones, for the holiday and the Prime Minister, who was present.

Mrs. James K. Stillman was finally vindicated in her long fight to prevent her step-son, Guy, when the New York State Court of Appeals ruled unanimously against the latter's contention that Mrs. Stillman's fidelity. They also pointed out certainly infidelity on the part of her husband, the millionaire New York banker.

Mr. F. C. Marshall has been appointed a magistrate of the first-class for the State of Johore.

In Baron Hayashi, the late Japanese Ambassador, to England, we have lost one of the most polished of diplomats. At a dinner some time ago, a lady who had talked to him incessantly for half an hour remarked half-apologetically, "You must think me very fond of the sound of my own voice." Said the Ambassador, "I knew you liked music."

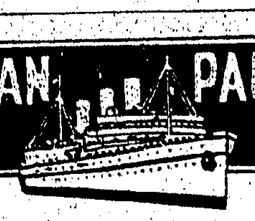
The son of a motoring father has been hearing a good deal about railways and the centenary, and began to ask questions. "Daddy, what was before railways?" "Before railways, my boy, people rode in coaches. When you're a little older you'll be able to read a book called 'Pickwick,' and then you'll know about coaches." "Yes, daddy. An' what was before coaches—Fords?"

Miss Joan Fry, the English girl tennis player, who travelled with the British team to America, ran on to the landing stage at Liverpool as the liner was moving out. A Russian emigrant was also left behind, and he stood beside Miss Fry gesticulating wildly as the liner Aurania went into mid-river. A tender later came alongside the stage, and Miss Fry, with a pile of trunks and other luggage, was taken to the liner. She went aboard with seven racquets.

It is doubted if Paderewski really enjoys his visits to England. Wherever he goes he is "mobbed," and by nature he is a lover of peace and solitude. Once, many years ago, he was discovered by a friend deep in conversation with a pavement artist. In explanation he said:—"It is such a pleasure to talk to someone who doesn't know who I am." But the next day the pavement-artist had added Paderewski to his portrait-gallery, and underneath were the words: "From Life."

Dr. John R. Mott, General Secretary of the National Council of the Y.M.C.A. of the United States, will be visiting China again next spring. His last visit was at the meeting of the World's Christian Student Federation, held in Tsinghua in the spring of 1922. Last May Dr. Mott celebrated his 60 Birthday, at which age secretaries of the Y.M.C.A. are expected to retire on pension; but the National Council decided that Dr. Mott's services are indispensable and declined to allow him to retire.

CANADIAN PACIFIC



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"NAGPORE"	9,283	24th Sept.	Singapore and Bombay
"KARMALA"	9,128	3rd Oct.	Saigon, Manila & Antwerp
"SOUDAN"	8,696	10th Oct.	Saigon, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"MALWA"	9,941	17th Oct.	Marseilles & London
"SICILIA"	9,513	18th Oct.	Saigon, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"KHIVA"	9,136	31st Oct.	Marseilles, London, Hull & Antwerp
"KALYAN"	9,144	31st Oct.	Marseilles and London
"KASHMIR"	8,985	14th Nov.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"KASHGAR"	9,005	28th Nov.	Saigon, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
"MACEDONIA"	11,089	3rd Jan. 1926	Marseilles and London
"CHYEBR"	9,114	23rd Jan.	Marseilles, London and Antwerp
"DELTA"	9,997	4th Feb.	Saigon, Penang, Colombo & Bombay
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"KHYBER"	9,114	26th Dec. 1926	Shanghai, Moji and Kobe.
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LAST OF STRAND.

PASSING OF POPULAR STREET.

Of all London's streets the Strand holds the tenderest memories, writes a "Daily Chronicle" correspondent. It is the most famous, the most widely-loved street in the world, and it is changing so rapidly that very soon it will be almost unrecognisable by those who once knew every inch of its dear, intimate shabbiness.

Already some of the more familiar landmarks have gone; but it is not so much the absence of particular buildings that puzzles those who long ago made a friend of the Strand as the transition from a homely narrow street of cheap shops, flamboyant posters, and unconventional untidiness to a road of insistent formality.

The Strand endeared itself to men and women of all races and of all classes because it was everyone's street. It was neither East-end nor West-end, but a highway where the foreign visitor, the poor provincial tripper, the Londoner born and the aristocrat were equally at home. In The Mall one might be in Berlin; Kingsway suggests a Paris boulevard; but the Strand was essentially London, a street of flower-girls, great hotels, hurrying, eager crowds, shops where all the world might buy cheap goods. And soon its face will be altered for ever.

WISTFUL PLEASURE.

It is a wistful pleasure to loiter in the Strand in these days of rapid changes, looking at the old familiar sights that still remain. The antiquarian cannot regret the passing of some historical building more keenly than the Londoner who senses the doom of the last of the old street which must disappear in the melancholy business of the "Strand widening."

Tall houses with shining new faces stand where once were little kindly shops so that new Strand is already inhabited by the official rather than by the home atmosphere.

In the last of the Strand there lingers the cheerful, unpretentious air in which few can be lonely for long. Here are the cheap shops where the buyers is given the deference due to princes, restaurants whose names have been known for so many years that it would seem they must always have existed, the narrow pavements with their joking, jostling crowds, polite because they are friendly.

LOVED SHABBINESS.

I like to stop at 55, Strand, for here the new ends and the old begins. Up to this point you have seen on the left side as you walk westward from Wellington Street so much that is unfamiliar that it is like coming home to find the further end of the dear street as you have always known it, still unwidened, still very shabby and dusty, like a busy street in some comfortable provincial town.

Let us walk often from Fleet Street to Charing Cross, we who love London, looking not at the new glories, so cold, so imposing, so important architecturally, but at the old beloved street so that in our memories there will not quickly perish the picture of the last of the Strand.

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CUPID AND THE RAIN.

BAD WEATHER TROUBLES IN YUGO-SLAVIA.

The good weather which has been so general in England has not touched Belgrade yet, says a despatch of July 14. We are accustomed here to rely on summer weather, unbroken except for occasional relieving thunderstorms, from May to September; but this year all hopes of being free from incessant rains, ranging from drizzle to subtropical downpour, vanished a full month ago, when the heat wave that we watched in anxious anticipation from New York eastwards to England apparently got lost on its way out here.

The result is that the Saint Peter Fair, held on the Orthodox Saint Peter's Day in the little church out by the Toptchider Park, to which

GEN. GUILLAUMAT.

Desire to remain at his present post as commander of the French troops on the Rhine has led General Guillaumat to decline to lead the French Moroccan forces in a new counter-offensive against the Riffs. Guillaumat was commander-in-chief of the allied operations in the Balkans.

hundreds of townspeople and, more picturesque, the peasants from the neighbouring villages, in their best ribbons and pomades, generally come to pray and buy knick-knacks and lance, was rather a failure. Nevertheless, the working class of Belgrade stoutly stamped out many a Serbian chain dance (kolo) in the mud, and there was a Turkish wrestling-booth, and many of the poorest of the Russian refugees made a pitiable effort to sell painted wooden toys and paper lamp-shades. The absence of the peasants was remarkable, however, especially as the Saint Peter's Fair at Toptchider is by repute the occasion for the bolder of the young generation to arrange all manner of elopements, to the dismay of their calculating parents, who, no doubt, blessed the rain for not upsetting their well-laid scheme for the social advancement of their daughters.

It is reported that the rains are causing serious floods in parts of Srem and Slavonia, and the harvest of all grains except maize must be suffering considerably. But maize is the principal crop for Yugo-Slav exports, and the rains are welcomed for it. The maize harvest begins much later, and sun is not wanted for ripening off until August.

Paris, September 2.—The bank strikers by ballot decisively rejected the managements' concessions, conveyed through the Minister for Labour, and voted for continuance of the strike.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI INCIDENT.

(Reuter's Service.)

Peking, Sept. 2.

The British Legation has issued the following statement:—

"Mr. Chamberlain has replied to the Notes from the Chinese Charge d'Affaires in London regarding his Government's attitude towards the judicial inquiry into the Shanghai incidents, emphasising the British Government's deep concern at the loss of life and personal suffering as well as the damage to property occasioned, and their desire that prompt and impartial justice be done."

He pointed out that the Diplomatic Body's commission was not in a position to conduct a judicial inquiry, though a settlement might have resulted had not the Chinese Government on July 4 declined further discussions of the incidents unless extraneous subjects were also admitted.

EXAGGERATED REPORTS.

In the meanwhile conflicting and exaggerated reports are reaching England and opinion there has demanded, in fairness both to China and other Powers, a public and impartial inquiry on judicial lines to establish the facts and to provide a basis for appropriate action. The British Government had accepted the suggestion that a Chinese judge should be appointed and they still hoped that the Chinese Government would reconsider their decision not to appoint one as the proposed inquiry was directed solely in interests of truth and justice.

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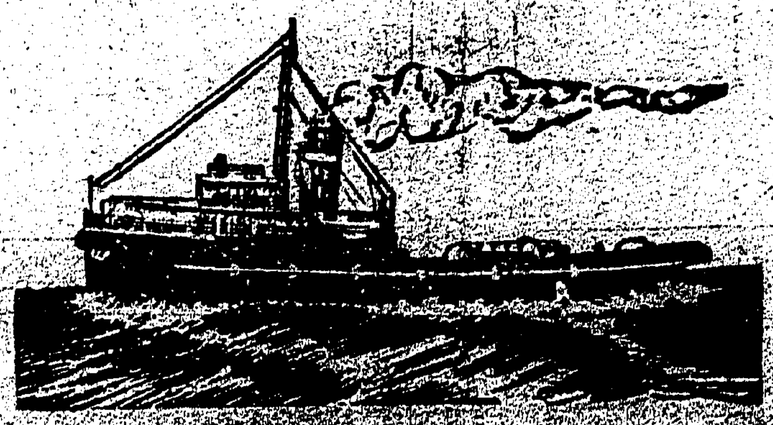

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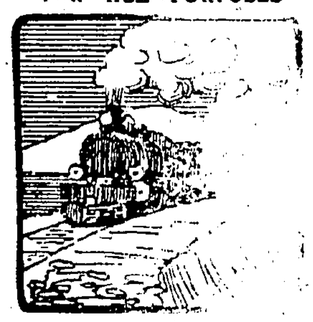

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General Hans von Seeckt must be deposed as commander-in-chief of the German national army, the Allied note stated. King Alfonso, of Spain, was saved from the second bomb attempt against his life by the discovery of an infernal machine in Barcelona Cathedral. Ida Rubenstein, famous known actress and former fiancée of Gabriello D'Annunzio, announced she expects to fly to the North Pole in the relief expedition for the missing Amundsen-Ellsworth expedition. Hugo Stinnes, Jr., head of the great German industrial interests, faces a financial crisis, according to report.

Above: FIELD MARSHAL LORD PLUMER & OWEN D. YOUNG
Below: CAMILLE FLAMMARION & DONALD MACMILLAN

Field Marshal Lord Plumer, known as Britain's "Soldier's Soldier," has been named new High Commissioner for Palestine, a step forecasting a firmer hand in the East. Owen D. Young, co-author of the Dawes Plan, was given the honorary degree of doctor of laws at Columbia University's commencement. Camille Flammarion, noted French astronomer and poet, died in his observatory in France at the age of eighty-three.

BRIG. GEN. CONNOR & GEN. HORIGUCHI

Brigadier-General William D. Connor, commander-in-chief of the American forces in China was photographed as he shook hands with General Horiguchi, Japanese leader, as the pair met in Tokyo.

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A.S.M.'s Latest.

One hears that Mr. A. S. M. Hutchinson is revising the proofs of his "latest and greatest," notes a Glasgow paper. Whether it will break the record achieved by "If Winter Comes" remains to be seen, but it is stated that the new book is his "greatest" in point of length. Its title follows the distinctive style of earlier books. "One Increasing Purpose" being its name. This is Tennysonian in origin, although one has vague recollections of a Biblical phrase about Providence choosing strange vessels for the "increase of His purpose." It is interesting to speculate where Mr. Hutchinson will be placed by the literary historian. At present he seems to be one of those authors whose work is either eagerly devoured or cordially disliked. Meantime, his success is the envy of countless able novelists who have been labouring for years without touching the fringe of prosperity.

The Counting of Change.

Have you ever noticed the difference in the way in which a man and a woman count change? asks a writer in a Scottish paper. Suppose the purchase to have amounted to 6s. 11d., and a pound note has been tendered. A man simply calculates he has 13s. 1d. to receive and waits till the money is down on the counter and then adds it up. Not so a woman shop assistant. She puts down 1d. "That's 7s., and that's 8s., and that's 10s., and that's 20s." I have chaffed scores of shop-women about their back-handed way of counting change. It was my father who, seeing me pocket some change without counting it, insisted that everybody ought to count their own change "even after your own father." Do you know the story of the A.B.C. where a Scotsman stood counting his change in front of the cash desk. "Well, what's the matter? Isn't it right?" said the girl cashier. "Yes, it's right, but only just."

Clothes and the Man.

A determined effort to enliven masculine attire has been made by the medical profession, says the "Observer." Those ultra-violet rays, it appears, have not the ghost of a chance against collars and long trousers; therefore, say our medical men, let us get rid of the offending garments. Let us be Byronic and show our necks; let us be Gaelic and display our legs; but let us, at all costs secure those ultra-violet rays. So the décolletage of the late Mr. Wilson Barrett in "The Sign of the Cross" was but a shadow of coming events! A man in a story of O. Henry's, it will be remembered, entered a monastery because he found himself unable to preserve the crease in his trousers. No more such sacrifices! The British Medical Association has solved *his* problems.

Pleasant vistas of admiration stretch out before the young man of to-day. The National Association of Outfitters complains that men's feet are growing bigger. Ah! But we will show them our chest measurement and the girth of our calves; let them say what they think of those! Oxford trousers, those despairing attempts to pretend men prefer to conceal their limbs, are, so to speak, on their last legs; and again there shall be heard in the land the noble praise awarded by Mrs. Mountstuart Jenkinson to Sir Willoughby Patterne:—"You see, he has a leg!"

Paint That Will Stop Corrosion.

"A new paint which may stop the havoc of corrosion—which is estimated to cost this country £100,000,000 a year—has been invented by a chemist in the service of the South Staffs. Mond Gas Company," says the "Daily Express." Years of patient research

ATT'Y GEN. SARGENT

American's Attorney-General John G. Sargent, attired in cap and gown, as he received the degree of doctor of laws at Tufts College commencement.

and experiment have resulted in the evolving of a formula for a bituminous paint which was found to possess the power to make itself part of the material to which it is applied and render it impervious to the effect of acids, gases, water and extremes of heat and cold. When the new paint was applied to a gas plant registering a heat of 725 deg. Fahr. it remained for months as fresh as on the day of application. Other paints had blistered off in five days at the most. Practical test has proved that the paint 'keys itself' into the metal and wood to which it is applied, is capable of expanding and contracting with it, thus avoiding cracking, and prevents corrosion almost indefinitely."

Lord Curzon's Will.

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An Cherished Guest.

Of all the visits which the Prince of Wales has made to the States of the Empire none has been more signally triumphant than this, says "The Times" in the course of a leader reviewing the Prince's tour of Africa. The paper adds: "Every anticipation has been more than fulfilled. Enthusiasm has become a word too hackneyed to explain the temper with which he has been hailed at every point of his long progress. It has been a temper of real personal regard, almost of personal affection, strengthened and deepened by admiration not less real for the unflagging zeal and thoroughness with which he has done his part as an honoured and cherished guest."

In conclusion, "The Times" says it would be a profound mistake to read too much into the events of these weeks, but it is absolutely true to say that rarely have good auspices been so happily fulfilled.

A Mother's Faith.

"Nearly every day of your life you talk into a telephone, or over wires, or by means of switchboards made by the Western Electric Company," says "Collier's Weekly." "It's a big concern, with plants and warehouses everywhere, over sixty thousand men and women on the payroll, sales of a million or more every business day, and the big chief draws a larger salary than we pay Calvin Coolidge. That's Big Business, serving our bigger country. It all grew out of a faded paper now kept, among other historic relics in the museum at headquarters: 'The original bond and mortgage for $100 which on March 20, 1869, Mrs. Fanny A. Barton gave on her house in order to help her 26-year-old son, Enos, purchase of George W. Shawk, a half interest in the little electrical manufacturing business which later became the firm of Gray and Barton, and still later the Western Electric Company.' That's the official description. Young Barton and his comrades made the business, built up one of the great enterprises of our time, but his mother's faith in him, and her sporting courage, gave him his chance. Such mothers of 1925 are even now having their own quiet say as to our leaders of the years from 1950 on."

All That the Critics Can Do.

"Are we not taking too much upon ourselves when we set out to form opinions, not only for our contemporaries but for posterity? If Dr. Johnson had had his way, neither Fielding nor Dean Swift would have been allowed to 'live,'" writes Mr. St. John Ervine in the "Evening News." A person called Greene, who was something of a dramatist in his day, had singularly little use for Shakespeare, and managed to make a number of his friends take sides with him. George Meredith thought that Pickwick Papers was a vulgar book which could not possibly survive. To-day Meredith's own novels lie stagnant on the booksellers' shelves, but Pickwick Papers continues to be popular. Henry James thought little of Mr. Hardy. I don't read Henry James! . . . . All that the critic can do for you is, to tell you as well as he can what he likes and dislikes, and why. That may be a help to you in forming your own opinion, but in the end you'll have to be your own critic. And really that's rather better fun. Why shirk the adventure of discovering things for yourself? Why let yourself be put off with the fallible opinions of other persons when you are as capable as they are of forming fallible opinions of your own?"

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VERDICT TO-MORROW.

The inquiry into the Po Hing Fong disaster was resumed yesterday before Mr. S. B. B. McElderry, sitting as coroner, and a jury composed of Capt. T. Arthur (foreman), Mr. Ho Kom-tong and Mr. J. A. Sheppard. Mr. F. C. Jenkin attended on behalf of certain families involved in the disaster.

Inspector Lanigan stated that the total number of dead recovered from the ruins was 72. The number of injured persons sent to the Hospitals was 23 and three of these had since died.

The report of two expert witnesses, Lt. Col. Russell Brown and Mr. R. Warren, were then submitted, and Col. Russell Brown entered the witness box. Questioned regarding the saturation mentioned in the report, witness said that this was due to the amount of water which fell on the grassy slopes and the paths above the wall. The amount of saturation from the site of the No. 8 Police Station witness considered negligible.

In reply to the foreman, witness said that having regard to the fact that the wall was 28 years old he should have considered rebuilding it before proceeding with the building of the Police Station a The drainage so far as surface w was concerned did not appear to be sufficient. Questioned further he said there was no evidence to support the theory that the drain in In Mi Lane burst owing to the heavy flow of water.

The foreman: Mr. Tickle and the D.P.W. have said they thought that a good deal of the damage was due to seepage through the ground south of Caine Road.

Witness: We considered that but I don't think much would have come through there.

Witness then explained the action of water from underground springs, and questioned further said in his opinion under the same conditions and a larger margin of safety the wall would still have been standing.

In reply to the coroner, witness said he thought that when the wall was built in 1896 the design and factor for safety then allowed was sufficient for a few years only. If the foundations had been properly drained the wall would probably have stood in a stable condition up to date. In his opinion the margin of safety allowed for was always too small.

Mr. Jenkin: You know that in the ten hours previous to the collapse 9.71 inches fell in ten hours?—Yes.

Have you no idea of the quantity of water which fell on the site during that time?—It would be quite easy to calculate.

May I take it you have made no calculation—I am satisfied that what did fall was satisfactorily taken off.

May I suggest that well over 300 tons fell on that site in that time?—I only took the approximate figure.

What was your approximate figure?—I can't remember now.

At this point the coroner asked if the cross-examination was leading anywhere and if the jury wished for more.

Mr. Jenkin: If your worship rules that I must sit down then I must sit. But it is not for the jury to say whether I must not cross-examine. I am here as the sole representative of all the dead.

The Coroner: Your are here to help the jury and only that.

The foreman said the jury wished the cross-examination to continue.

Mr. Jenkin, (resuming): I put it to you that all of the rain which fell on the area enclosed by the trenches on the No. 8 site would have found its way into the trenches?—Yes.

Where does that water go?—Some evaporates, some runs over the side and some goes down. A large amount would get to rocky soil and there evaporate.

I put it that it would go into the sub-soil and would even find its way to the back of the wall numbers 2 and 3?—A certain amount would go down but what proportion he did not think anyone was competent to say.

With a knowledge of the state of the walls 2 and 3 would you have embarked on this work and left the trenches unprotected from a direct rainfall?—Being a military engineer I have not done much building but I should have found out the local custom and have been guided by it.

Mr. R. Warren was next examined. Questioned by the foreman, witness said that before building above the wall it would have occurred to him to consider the question of strengthening the wall, ad if this was not found to be safe he would have re-built the wall. The usual practice was to drain the foundations by building a trench, but whether this had been done he could not say.

In answer to Mr. Jenkin witness stated that he thought very little water, if any, would have found its way to the foundations of the wall from the trenches as there would be considerable evaporation. Witness did not consider such water would cause a collapse of the wall as there was no pressure behind it. In regard to placing coverings over the trenches during the rains, witness said that would never have occurred to him, and he would have been guided by the usual custom.

The inquiry was adjourned until to-morrow, when the coroner will sum up and the jury will return their verdict.

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Credits, 4 months' sight	121⅞
On Berlin—	
On demand	nom.
On New York—	
On demand	58⅛
Credits, 60 days' sight	59⅛
On Bombay—	
Wire	
On demand	158
On Calcutta—	
Wire	
On demand	
On Singapore—	
On demand	102⅛
On Manila—	
On demand	116⅛
On Shanghai—	
On demand	nom.
30 days' sight (private paper)	
On Yokohama—	
On demand	144⅛
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	10.05
Silver (per oz.)	
Bar Silver	31 9/16
Japanese Copper Coin	4.75 per cent.
Chinese Copper Cash	5 per cent.
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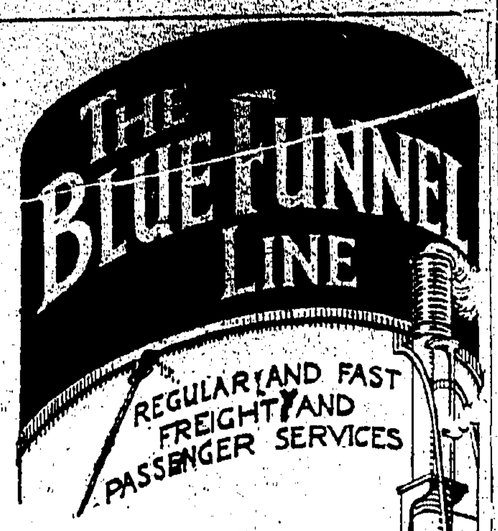

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"EUMAEUS" 14th Sept. Marseilles, London, Rotterdam & Hamburg
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INWARD MAILS.

From		Per
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3.		
U.S.A., Canada, Japan and Shanghai		Pres. Cleveland
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.		
EUROPE via Suez (Letters and Papers—London 6th Aug. and Parcels—30th July)		Karmala
Europe via Siberia, Japan and Shanghai, London 14th Aug		Nitto Maru
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.		
Shanghai and Amoy		Shantung
Shanghai		Narkunda
WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 9.		
Canada, U.S.A. Japan and Shanghai		Pres. Grant

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Time
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4.		
Macao	Kinshan	7.15 a.m.
Canton, (Correspondence specially superscribed "By Train" only).	Train	8.15 a.m.
Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Taikwa Maru	8.30 a.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America, and *EUROPE via Vancouver, B.C.—due Vancouver B.C. 21st Sept. & EUROPE via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed "Via Siberia" only) 3rd Sept. Parcels 5 p.m. Registration (4th Sept) 9.15 a.m. Letters 10 a.m.	Empress of Canada	
Sandakan	Hinsang	10.30 a.m.
Manila	Pres. Cleveland	12.30 p.m.
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5.		
Hoihow and Bangkok	Kiangsu	8.30 a.m.
*Straits and Calcutta	Fooksang	10 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 2nd Oct. Parcels 5 p.m. (4th Sept.) Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Narkunda	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central & South America & *EUROPE via VICTORIA, B.C.—due Victoria B.C., 28th Sept. Parcels Noon. Registration. 5 p.m. Letters 5 p.m.	Pres. Jefferson	
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 6.		
Shanghai and Japan	Karmala	9 a.m.
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 8.		
Shanghai, Japan, *Honolulu, *Canada, *U.S.A., *C. & *S. America & *EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO—due San Francisco 5th Oct. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Shinyo Maru	
Straits, E. & S. Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles 7th Oct. Registration 1.45 p.m. Letters 2.30 p.m.	Persia	
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10.		
Manila	Pres. Grant	2.30 p.m.
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14.		
Manila	Pres. Hayes	5 p.m.

*Correspondence bearing vessel's name only

STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

The P. & O. s.s. "Karmala" left Singapore for this port on August 31 at 8 a.m. with the outward English Mails and is due here to-morrow at about 2 p.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Narkunda" left Shanghai for this port yesterday at 12.30 p.m. and is due here on Sept. 5 at about 5 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Nankin" from [illegible] left Singapore for this port via Manila on Aug. 29 and is due here on Sept. 4 at about 7 a.m.

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PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per B.I.S.s. "Tanda" on Sept. 2:—Messrs J. E. Smith, B. Guerre, H. L. Carter, M. Gatewayton, Miss M. Calder, Miss P. Johnson, Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Gray, Mr. H. E. Abell, Mrs. Abell, Mr. A. Donnelly, Mr. and Mrs. P. T. Ambler, Mr. and Mrs. D. McKay, Mr. F. Wiltshire, Mrs. E. M. Wiltshire, Miss M. Wiltshire, Miss E. M. Wiltshire, P. O. Wiltshire, Mrs. Lamont Murphy, Messrs. H. Goodhouse, E. F. Harris, A. C. Armstrong, E. W. Atkins and [illegible].

SCHOOL STRIKERS.

GOVERNMENT'S FIRM ATTITUDE ENDORSED.

EDUCATION BOARD MEETING.

The decision of the Governor-in-Council regarding treatment of striking students was announced at yesterday's meeting of the Board of Education. It was to the following effect: All boys over the age of 16 years who left any Government School without the permission of the school authorities before the school closed shall be refused re-admission to that school or admission to any other Government or Government aided school in the Colony. Each new pupil admitted to a Government English School (Boys') shall on admission pay an entrance fee of $30 to be refunded when the pupil leaves if his conduct has been uniformly good.

As regards these emphatic instructions which members of the Board considered left no option to Heads of Schools, the acting Chairman of the Board (Mr. E. Ralphs), said that it was to be left to the discretion of the Headmasters which boys should be selected for exclusion, that it is to say who were actually concerned in the strike and who were not. Their names would then be sent to the Board of Education and the University and all Heads of Schools had agreed to co-operate in exercising special scrutiny in the case of applications for admission during the current school year, admitting new pupils over the age of 16 only after careful enquiry.

The number of students affected by the decision, the Chairman said, it would be impossible to estimate, but Mr. L. Forster, who spoke in the course of the meeting, estimated the number, if it was fully enforced, at something like 600 or 700.

Nearly all of the members of the Board who spoke were in accord with the attitude taken up by the Government, but a few thought it was too severe. Father Valtorta thought temporary suspension and postponement of examinations would meet the case. Mr. J. M. Alves suggested the formation of a "humiliation" class of strikers in each school would be sufficient punishment, and Dr. Wan spoke at some length on "the need for taking a more liberal and considerate view."

Dr. Wan thought that the real strikers would not return to Hongkong in any event. He termed as significant the report that they had formed a union among themselves in Canton and were being admitted to the University there without examination. As regarded the students generally, he thought that nearly all those who stopped away had done so because they had been driven away and not because they wanted to go. The schoolboys of Hongkong were of the best type, very quiet and very sensible, and if the doors were closed against them in Hongkong other schools would receive them with open arms and here they would be taught class war and no good as regards relationships between countries or races.

Dr. Pearce thought the balance had been struck between justice and generous consideration in the policy as indicated to them by the Chairman. Now, if ever, was the time for emphasising the importance of discipline. The matter must be left to the headmasters of the schools. No one else could do anything in the matter.

The Chairman's final remark was that he thought the matter could safely be left with the headmasters who, he was sure, would be sympathetic in their consideration.

CONFERENCE OF HEADS?

The proposal to hold a conference of Headmasters of Schools twice a year was brought forward for consideration by the Board as a result of a letter received from the Secretary of the Diocesan Boys' School and Orphanage.

Referring to this letter, the Chairman asked whether the right of Headmasters to hold conferences had ever been withheld. Was it not a fact that the Heads of the leading Schools in the Colony,—Schools preparing candidates for the Hongkong University Matriculation and Local Examinations, did at least once a year meet in solemn conclave under the Chairmanship of the Vice-Chancellor of the University, the Director of Education being also sometimes present to discuss Syllabuses and Courses of Study? Again, were the proposed Conferences to be limited to the Heads of Schools just referred to, or did the Committee mean that Heads of all Schools, Government Schools, Private Schools, English Schools, Vernacular Schools?

Under whose auspices would the Conference be held, who would convene the meetings and when were they to be held? asked the Chairman. Yet again, what subjects were to be discussed? Methods of instruction? Was it that the Committee of the Diocesan School, in a rare and refreshing access of altruism, proposed that the Head Master of that school—a gentleman for whose talents and energy he had in common with all whose privilege it was to know him, the greatest admiration—should be given an opportunity of disclosing and expounding to others the methods by which he attained success, that they might go and do likewise? On all these points the Committee of the Diocesan School was tantalisingly silent; but merely recommended briefly and with an air of finality that periodical Conferences of Heads of Schools were very desirable.

Mr. Wylie, in seconding, said that he had a suspicion that these conferences would not be for discussing professional matters but for the purpose of criticising the Board of Education. A great many teachers and masters criticised the Board, and these very people were forgetful of the fact that the real work of the Board was done in the back premises of the

For very obvious reasons they could not have headmasters of Government schools criticising the policy of the Board, the Department or the Government itself.

On the proposition of Mr. Aucott, seconded by Mr. Wylie, it was agreed to send a letter to the Secretary of the Committee of the Diocesan Boys' School asking for further information as to the lines upon which their recommendation was intended to follow.

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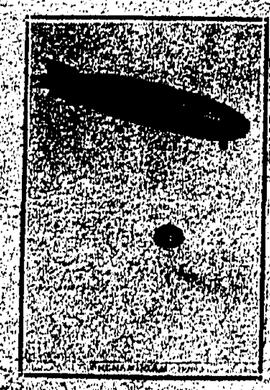

Lyman Ford, parachute jumper, is shown 1,500 feet in the air, gliding toward earth after he leaped from a dirigible.

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